

CmpSci 187: Programming with Data Structures Spring 2015

Lecture #1

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1 Introduction

About the Course

- What is CmpSci 187?
- Programming Maturity?
- Data Structures?
- Algorithm Analysis?
- 187's place in the world
- Are you a CmpSci major?, March 1 deadline

2 Administrative Stuff

Course Structure

- Two lecture sections, two instructors, four TAs, twelve discussion sections.
- Help mail address cs187help@cs.umass.edu
- Course requirements and grading

- Syllabus, exams, and solutions
- Public site
- Moodle site
- Lecture slides
- Programming assignments submitted
- Forums
- Gradebook

Academic Honesty

- Exams
- Projects
- Discussions

3 Software Engineering

What is Software Engineering?

- What is software?
- What is engineering?
- SE and real engineering

Goals of Software Engineering

- Software that works (correct, complete, reliable, and efficient)
- Software that is modifiable
- Software that is reusable
- Software that was completed on-time and within budget

Software Life Cycles

- Analysis
- Requirements
- Specification
- Design
- Implementation
- Testing and verification
- Delivery/deployment
- Operation
- Maintenance
- Obsolescence

Practice Clicker Exercise

Suppose you plan to build a new iPhone app. Which of these should you do first?

1. Write the main method of the NewiPhoneApp class.
2. Make a detailed specification of the input and output of the app.
3. **Determine what, in general, you would like the app to do.**
4. Divide the project into manageable pieces.

SE Methodologies

- Waterfall
- Spiral model (setting objectives, risk assessment, development, and validation)
- Agile methods (customer involvement, incremental delivery, allow changes, pair programming).